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You will find attached to this memorandum a map and guidelines for submission of redistricting plans. The County Population Changes 2000-2010 and Senate District Information map is intended as a graphic illustration of the current Senate districts and the 2010 population of counties within each district. Two data tables demonstrating 2000 and 2010 populations of counties and Senate districts and the deviations of current district populations from the 2010 ideal district population are also included on the map. As you know, Speaker Pro Tempore Bo Watson (East), Caucus Chairman Bill Ketron (Middle), and Majority Leader Mark Norris (West) are the regional coordinators for the Senate Redistricting process. I have included the phone numbers of each coordinator on the map for your convenience.

The guidelines for submission of redistricting plans govern the submission of plans to the coordinators for consideration prior to the upcoming 2012 session. Plans must be submitted, or sponsored, by a Senator. Plans must be submitted to the Office of Legal Services on or before November 1, 2011. Please review the guidelines carefully and contact Emily Urban in the Office of Legal Services with any questions or requests for clarification.

If you do not desire to submit or sponsor a plan, but still wish to communicate your preferences, priorities, or concerns relative to redistricting, please contact the coordinator of your district's region. If your current district consists of counties located in two regions, your county of residence will determine the identity of your regional coordinator. The regions coincide with the three grand divisions of the state, as defined by Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-1-202 – 4-1-204.

Your cooperation on these matters is deeply appreciated. If there are questions or comments relative to this memorandum, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ronald L. Ramsey".

Ronald L. Ramsey
Lieutenant Governor